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In re the application of: Hisakazu OKAJIMA

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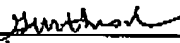
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION  
(37 CFR §1.114)

1. Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 CFR §1.114, for the above identified application.

2. This request is being submitted:

i. ☒ Prior to abandonment of the application

ii. ☐ Payment of the issue fee

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☐ Issue fee has been paid but a petition under §1.313 was filed \_\_\_\_\_  
(copy attached).

iii. ☐ Prior to a decision on appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals & Interferences

☐ A notice is being separately sent to the Board of Patent Appeals & Interferences  
that this Request for Continued Examination is being filed.

iv. ☐ Appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals of the Federal Circuit under  
35 U.S.C. 145 or

☐ Commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. 146

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☐ Such appeal or commencement of civil action has been terminated.

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3. Please Enter and Consider the following *Previously Submitted Documents*:☐ Amendment filed \_\_\_\_\_.☐ Brief on Appeal filed \_\_\_\_\_.☐ Other:

## 4. Enclosed herewith is/are:

☐ An Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449☒ An Amendment☐ New arguments☐ New evidence in support of patentability☐ Other:

## 5. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

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|--|----------------------------------|-------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| RCE Filing Fee (37 CFR §1.17(e))   |                                  |       |                                |                             |           | \$ 790.00 |
| Claims   | Claims Remaining After Amendment |       | Highest Number Previously Paid | No. of Extra Claims Present |           |           |
| Total Claims   | 20                               | Minus | 20                             |                             | \$ 50.00  |           |
| Independent Claims   | 5                                | Minus | 4                              | 1                           | \$ 200.00 | \$200.00  |
| Multiple Dependent Claim(s) (if applicable)  |                                  |       |                                |                             | \$ 360.00 |           |
| <p align="center"><u>Extension of Term</u></p> <p>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant petitions for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 CFR §1.17(a)(1)-(4), for the total number of months checked below:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> One Month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) ..... \$ 120.00</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Two Months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) ..... \$ 450.00</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Three Months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) ..... \$1,020.00</p> <p>If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> An extension for _____ months has already been secured, and the fee paid therefor of \$ _____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.</p> |                                  |       |                                |                             |           |           |
| TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =  |                                  |       |                                |                             |           | \$ 990.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR §1.27.   |                                  |       |                                |                             |           |           |
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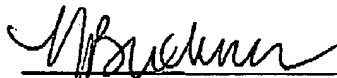
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